Deputy President.—Any opposition to it?

The question was put and agreed to.

Secretary to the Council.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Sir, I beg to move "*that the Council Secretariat be absolutely separate from the present Huzur Secretariat and that the salary attached to the office of the Secretary be not less than Rs. 200.*"

Deputy President.—Anybody to second it?

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I would say one word in support of it. It is abundantly clear that, with the introduction of responsible Government in Cochin, which is impending and which is soon to come, for which even the Special Finance Committee Members have made strong recommendations for the creation of an Executive Council responsible to the Legislature, the work of the Council will become more and more urgent, arduous and heavy. In time to come, it is absolutely necessary that this self-governing institution, the pivot on which the whole Administration should turn, should not be within the clutches of the Bureaucracy while in its infant stage. To put it within the Secretariat building and the Secretary to the Diwan to control the administration of this House would be absolutely not conducive to the full development of this House. Therefore, this Secretariat should be absolutely separate and the Secretary to the Council should be the proper person to control it under the President. I would have preferred to pay him Rs. 250, but in deference to the wishes of my Party I have made it Rs. 200.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Do you want a full-timed officer?

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Then he should be paid much more. As it is not less than Rs. 200.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Is it Rs. 200 or Rs. 250?

Mr. A. B. Salem.—It must be not less than Rs. 200. With these few words, I commend this proposition.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—I second it.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—There are a number of propositions in that connection. All these may be put.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—So long as the present Secretary is here, I don't want my amendment to be applicable to him. After that, it must be a full-timed officer.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—And not a Member.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—He must be a full-timed officer, and he must be a Law Graduate.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I accept the amendment that the Secretary should be a full-timed officer and a Law Graduate. That is, after the time of the present Secretary.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—I would also add a rider that he should not be a Member. It is not the practice in any Legis-

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lative Assembly in India to-day, as far as I know. It does not apply to our Member. In future he should not be a Member. In any case he should not be a Member of the Council.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I accept that amendment also.

The proposal is recast. I shall read it.

"*That the Council Secretariat be absolutely separate from the Huzur Secretariat, that the Secretary to the Council be paid not less than Rs. 200 and the Secretary be a full-timed officer who is a Law Graduate and he should not be a Member of this House.*"

Mr. C. Barton Wright.—I second the amended resolution.

(*The resolution as recast was put and agreed to.*)

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Poll, Sir.

The House divided:—*Ayes 20, Noes none and Neutral one.*

Ayes.

1.	Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar	11.	Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan
2.	,, K. J. Antony	12.	,, A. K. Kunhi Moideen
3.	,, K. Ayyappan	13.	,, C. J. Mathew
4.	,, C. Barton Wright	14.	,, K. Mohamed Seethi
5.	,, M. A. Chakko	15.	,, V. D. Ouseph
6.	,, P. C. Chanchan	16.	,, T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar
7.	,, A. Eachara Menon	17.	,, M. K. Raman
8.	,, K. P. Kannan Nayar	18.	,, A. B. Salem
9.	,, P. Krishna Menon	19.	,, Thomas Manjuran
10.	,, T. K. Nayar	20.	Dr. E. A. Veigas.

Noes.

None.

Neutral.

Mr. A. S. Harihara Ayyar.

Deputy President.

Mr. A. B. Salem.— I move that "*the honorarium paid to the Deputy President of this Council be Rs. 2,000 as at present*". The Finance Committee reports to the effect that a reduction may be made of Rs. 500 in the honorarium attached to the Deputy President. It would be derogatory to the privilege of this House, and the dignity of this House, to have an officer of the Deputy President's stamp paid anything less than Rs. 2,000. It is not a question of the size of the territory or a question of the work that he does, but it is a question of dignity and status attached to the Deputy President of this House, and as this House will only grow in strength, heavy work will certainly devolve on the shoulders of the Deputy President, and for the time being I think the reduction should not be made.

Mr. C. Barton Wright.—I second it.

(*The resolution was put and agreed to.*)

First Class Magistrate's Court.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—Sir, I beg to move that "*a full-timed Stationary First Class Magistrate's Court be opened at Erna-*

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